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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Wright, Jeffrey L.C.  
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Triglyceride and Cholesterol Levels  
  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND  
AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of December 17, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows, without prejudice or disclaimer.

A petition for a one-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a) and the required fee under 37 CFR §1.17(a) are submitted herewith.

**In the claims**

Please rewrite claim 1 as follows:

1. (thrice amended) A nutritional supplement for lowering cholesterol and triglyceride levels in the blood stream of a subject, said nutritional supplement comprising: a sterol ester of an omega-3 fatty acid, wherein said omega-3 fatty acid is selected from the group consisting of eicosapentaenoic acid 20:5 $\omega$ 3 (EPA), docosahexaenoic acid 22:6 $\omega$ 3 (DHA) and stearidonic acid 18:4 $\omega$ 3 (SA).

Please rewrite claim 34 as follows:

34. (once amended) The nutritional supplement according to claim 1, comprising a sterol ester of eicosapentaenoic acid 20:5 $\omega$ 3 (EPA) and a sterol ester of docosahexaenoic acid 22:6 $\omega$ 3 (DHA).